NAYS-None.

Mr. MILES. I beg the gentleman

Mr. McIver. Let the Ordinance be

Mr. MILES. I accept of that amend-

The motion was agreed to unanimously.

Resolved, That the Ordinance be en-

it be deposited in the archives of the State.

ter the word "Attorney General."

Mr. ORR. What is the hour fixed.

The PRESIDENT. Yes, sir.

instead of "ratify."

ternoon at 4 o'clock."

SEVERAL VOICES. "Oh, no."

OTHER VOICES. At 7 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE.

the resolution. Let it be read again.

"Resolved. That a message be sent to

telegraphed with the vote.

following resolution:

ment.

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CONVENTION People of South Carolina.

THURSDAY, DEC'R. 20, 1860.

FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS. The Convention met at 12 o'clock, m and after prayer by the Rev. Mr. English,

read and adopted. Messrs. Conner, Means, McQueen, Gad-

one hour at the door. Committees:

kins, B. F. Dunkin.

as relates to claiming the property of the without unnecessary loss of time. United States within the limits of South Carolina-A. G. Magrath, L. M. Keitt, and E. M. Clark.

Simeon Fair, R. J. Dayant, J. M. Gadber- rate any further. I am ready now to cast ry, C. St. P. Bellinger.

Committee on our Foreign Relations-F. D. Richardson, L W. Spratt, Isaac W. J. Pope, E. W. Charles.

J. J. P. Smith, John Jenkins, W. Mid-F. Simpson.

Committee on the Constitution of the it was disagreed to. T. W. Glover, I. W. Hayne, R. DeTre-dent, we are now approaching the final act ville, J. A. Dargan, Thomas Thomson, of this Ordinance of Secession, and I think John Buchanan, A. C. Spain, H. McIver, it ought to be consumated before a most T. C. Perrin, W. D. Johnson, J. B. Ker- august assemblage, and with all possible

Cashier .- R. C. Logan.

Deputy Cashier .- J. G. Pressley. to offer the following resolution:

be appointed to report to this Convention form and ceremony. I therefore move the an Ordinance proposing and providing for adoption of the following resolutions: the assembling of a convention of the several seceding States of the United States, Excellency the Governor, and to both of the resolutions as follows: Confederacy.

Mr. WARDLAW. I move that it be re-States. So ordered.

lowing report :

The Committee appointed to prepare a best meet the exigencies of the great occa- this, our proceeding. distinct ordinance or resolution, we submit as to them may seem appropriate. for consideration the following Ordinance: Mr. WITHERS. Now, Mr. President,

We, the People of the State of South we ought not to hasten matters. Carolina, in Convention assembled, do de- nance has been proposed by the Commitclare and ordain, and it is hereby declared tee, and with all due deference to the gen-

Convention, on the twenty-third day of action of this body is to be. I regard it to have this great act consummated in one cession from the St. Andrew's Hall, where of gun is about thirty 64-pounders; the HADDRIL'S POINT.—Though not indistinct the canvass; that upon assembling the act in the name of the State of South Carolina. May, in the year of our Lord one thousand be our first duty to pass the Ordinance of day. seven hundred and eighty-eight, whereby Secession; and then the mere form of ratithe Constitution of the United States of fication can be observed afterwards. We America was ratified, and also, all Acts and cannot undertake to make any arrange-parts of Acts of the General Assembly of ments for the ratification of that which has this State, ratifying amendments of the not yet received the sanction of this body. order at 6½ a. m. said Constitution, are hereby repealed; and I see no propriety in postponing action on that the union now subsisting between this Ordinance. It is for that purpose that Senate and House of Representatives. South Carolina and other States, under we appointed a Committee of able men. the name of "The United States of Ameri- who have carefully considered the terms in ca," is hereby dissolved.

take place this afternoon, at seven o'clock before us in this very act, and I am pre. the Ordinance of Secession from the late and they were received by some three thoup. m., in Institute Hall.

move as an amendment that the ordinance which becomes so momentous an occasion, be at once put upon its passage—(That's to cast my vote for the passage of the Orit. Yes, let's have the vote now)-and dinance. then after we have passed it, we can proceed to ratify it in a formal manner.

Mr. T. R. English. I would state that has just taken his seat, and I also concur cession. by direction of the committee, I had the in the resolutions offered by Mr. DeSausordinance placed last night in the hands of sure; but I conceive them to be now out in possession of the Clerk.

A DELEGATE. I move, sir, that the vote on the passage of the Ordinance be taken by ayes and noes.

terms of this Ordinance, when it has been considered is the one to immediately vote is no occasion for any amendment to it. - members rise? bate. [Voices "good," and applause.] passed with not a dissenting voice; as follows: The President then asked: Are the At- unto the last word—"dissolved"—when the highest credit upon the engineers and state of things for which we have long others, it has always been covered with glo- Book.

A DELEGATE. Mr. President, I move, sir, if it be in order now, that immediately on action being taken on the Ordinance. that the Convention take a recess. [Oh, no !] ANOTHER DELEGATE. Let us dispose of the Ordinance first, and not indicate the course of things by any other motion than

The PRESIDENT. The question is on the passage of the Ordinance. Is the Convention ready for the question? Mr. WARDLAW. Mr. President, I move

that now before the Convention.

that this Ordinance be printed and made the special order for to-morrow at 1 o'clock. Delegate from Sumter, the roll was called, I think we are acting with indecent haste. and the journal of yesterday's proceedings We are not a set of boys who feel it necessary to rush at once into action without even any formal deliberation. For myself, I am berry, Spratt, Thomson, Dunovant, Buchas willing to vote upon this measure as any Clarke, E. M. Conner, H. W. anan and Wardlaw, desired that their member upon this floor. I am ready to vote Crawford, R. L. Crawford, R. L. names should be recorded on the minutes upon it to-day; but let is, at least, show Daman, J. A. Davant, R. J. as having been present on the day previlthat we are men, and act with the forms ous. They had been detained by the press usually observed in all deliberative bodies. at the door, which was so great that the Mr. PARKER. Mr. President, it appears D several members had been detained over to me. sir, with great deference to the opinions that have been expressed, that the pub-The President announced the following lic mind is fully made up to the great occasion that now awaits us. It is no spasmod-A Committee to draft the summary of ic effort that has come suddenly upon us; English, T. R. Evans, C. D. the causes which justify the secession of but it has been gradually culminating for South Carolina-Messrs. C. G. Memmin a long series of years, until at last it has ger, F. H. Wardlaw, R. W. Barnwell, J. come to that point when we may say the P. Richardson, B. H. Rutledge, J. E. Jenmatter is entirely up. I hope, therefore, that the Ordinance which has just been A Committee to consider so much of the read to the Convention will be considered, Message of the President of the U. States as has been suggested, without delay, and

Mr. Inglis. Mr. President, if there is adopted. any gentleman present who wishes to de-J. P. Carroll, W. W. Harlee, J. H. Wil- bate this matter, of course this body will son, R. G. M. Dunovant, W. H. Campbell, hear him; but as to delay for the purpose of allow me to offer a resolution, to which I The State of South Carolina, be as the control of the purpose of a discussion, I for one am opposed to it.—

| The State of South Carolina has record-useful to annoy an invading fleet should it it is not easy to see. Her Commissioners State of South Carolina, be a many state of South Carolina, b Lyles, G. W. Seabrook, J. J. Ingraham, As my friend (Mr. Parker) has said, most for that purpose. of us have had this matter under considera-Committee on our Relations with other tion for the last twenty years, and I presume just taken, be telegraphed to the South we have by this time arrived at a decision Carolina members of Congress at Washing- Carolina members of Congress at Washing- Martin, as Clerk of the Senate, by request right, and her own right arm, and stands the circular are at its extremity, and for a upon the subject of dissolution. What, An O Henry C. Young, Alexander Mazyck, L. itions are always open to debate; but for M. Ayer, Wm. B. Wilson, T. R. English, my own part I feel no disposition to delibe-

my vote in the affirmative. Mr. SPAIN. Mr. President, I am as rea-W. P. Miles, J. H. Adams, W. H. Gist, dy as any member to record my vote; but it has been suggested that perhaps it would Hayne, T. L. Gourdin, A. W. Burnet, G. be better to delay formal action for some Manigault, Edward Noble, J. L. Orr, J. fifteen minutes, in order that the Ordinance may be distributed and read by members, Committee on Commercial and Postal which might facilitate business. If, there-Arrangements .- B. F. Dunkin, Edward fore. I am in order, I now move a suspen-McCrady, H. W. Conner, R. N. Gourdin, sion of the business proceedings of the Con-J. H. Nowell, T. D. Wagner, Wn. Gregg, vention for fifteen minutes, for that purpose. I make the motion in justice to wi-

Mr. W. F. DESAUSSURE. Mr. Presi-

solemnities. I concur with the honorable duced by Mr. DeSaussure. gentleman who spoke this morning, that we ought not to have the appearance of Mr. RHETT. Mr. President, I beg leave haste, but at the same time no one desires

to delay the ratification longer than may grossing the Ordinance. Resolved, That a committee of thirteen be necessary to do it according to the true Resolved, That a message be sent to his

to form a constitution for the Southern branches of the Legislature, inviting their attendance at the Institute Hall, at 12 o'clock, to-morrow, and that this Convention ferred to the Committee on slaveholding march in procession, to-morrow, to the Institute Hall, and then at 12 o'clock, in the presence of the constituted authorities of Mr. Inglis. I ask leave to offer the fol- the State, and of the people, ratify the Ordinance of Secession. ("That's it.")

Resolved, That the President of this draft of an Ordinance proper to be adopted Convention invite a member of the Reverby the Convention, in order to effect the end Clergy to attend at Institute Hall tosecession of South Carolina from the Fede- morrow, at 12 o'clock, and on the ratificaral Union, respectfully report that they tion of the Ordinance, to return thanks to have had the matter referred to under con- Almighty God on behalf of the people of word "March." [Laughter.] sideration, and believing that they will this State; and to invoke his blessing upon

sion, and the just expectations of the Con- Resolved, That the passage of the Ordivention be expressed in the fewest and nance be proclaimed by a salvo of artillery, lution be stricken out, and the word "sign," simplest words possible, consistent with and by the ringing of the bells of the city; perspicuity, is all that is necessary to effect and that the citizens be invited to an exand no more. So, excluding everything, pression of their thankfulness and joy on however proper in itself or fitting to the the passage of this great act of deliverance the Ordinance can be ratified or signed? occasion, but which may be effected by and liberty, and such other demonstrations

AN ORDINANCE TO DISSOLVE THE UNION BETWEEN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND OTHER STATES UNITED WITH HER UNDER THE COMPACT ENTITLED "THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA."

We ought not to hasten matters.

Mr. SIMONS. Mr. President, an Orditleman from Richland, I must submit that Mr. REED. Mr. President, I move that in language not one word too much, or not Carolina, to signify the acceptance of your Hall.

m., in Institute Hall.

Mr. Miles. Mr. President, I would solemn an act, and with all the solemnity of so confederacy of the Union.

Message from the

motion before the body?

The PRESIDENT. The motion first to be moved into the Hall.

and noes be taken without one word of de- The roll being called, the Ordinance was prayer by the Rev. Dr. Bachman.

under the name and title of the Constitu gates (by previous decision) to step forward and to add that the walls at their base are tracts from the comments and remarks of tion of the United States of America, beg as they were called in the alphabetical or- 12 feet thick, and at the top 84 feet thick. the press on the secession of South Caroli-

outside of the Hall, jammed the streets .- Union. before the Hall.

Mr. PRESSLEY. I move that the resolutions just offered, be now taken up and ensued beggars description. withdraw his resolution for a moment, to

Mr. PRESSLEY. I will, with pleasure, clock.

Mr. MILES then moved that the vote Mr. HAYNE. I beg leave to offer the enthusiastic manner by the assemblage— friends, she will pursue her direct path, and (bomb proof,) the embrasures for which can secede as long as she pleases. grossed on parchment, under the direction who then gave three cheers for Gen. W. establish for herself and for her posterity, are about seven feet above low water mark; of the Attorney General, and signed by E. Martin, and three more for the Corven- her rights, her liberties and her institutions. and the upper being en barbette. The the President of this Convention and memhers of the same at Institute Hall, and that

dleton, A. H. Brown, E. M. Seabrook, R. ser heads than mine. [Cries of "Oh, no."] this should constitute the last of the last The question being taken on the motion, amend by inserting "three Solicitors" af- day of December, in the year of our Lord Mr. HAYNE. I accept of that amend- of the human race. A great Confederated Republic, overwrought with arrogant and The PRESIDENT. The question now tyrannous oppressions, has fallen from its upon an artificial island, at the entrance of eastern and northwestern corners of the urging of this similar inquiry in the House, were holding office connected with the Cusrecurs on the series of resolutions intro- high estate amongst the nations of the earth. our harbor. The foundation being of stone, terre-parade-plein. In the centre of the Conservative liberty has been vindicated. it must be of the strongest nature. That latter is the furnace for heating shot. Mobocratic license has been stricken down. portion of the fort above the water-line is Around the foot of the scarp wall is a fend his do-nothing policy in regard to the Carolina, be, and they are hereby, appoint Mr. REED. I hope the vote will first be Order has conquered, yet liberty has survi- of brick and concrete of the most solid break-water, about twelve feet in width, insurgeant Carolinians. taken on the last resolution, relative to en- ved. Right has raised his banner aloft, and character. Its plan is a truncated pentagon, horizontally, which has its western side exbidden defiance to Might. The problem with one side parallel to the adjoining tended in a taugent direction to the south, A DELEGATE. Can the vote be divided? of self-government under the check-balance shore, thus presenting an angle to the to form the landing is pro-Mr. ORR. We didn't all understand destruction.

come one of the nations of the earth.

that whole grave body-Aye!

ANOTHER DELEGATE. Strike out the At 1.15 o'clock, p. m., the last name mate guns are those which are fired from for the parapet is higher than the hulks of old thirteen. One of our old Revolution-The President. It has been moved by was announced to have been passed, and protected from the enemy's shells by an joining shore. As to its importance, albest, who never, in those days of trial and of March, 1857, entitled an Act, authorthe gentleman from Charleston, that the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the though if we possessed Forts Sumter and of peril, deserted a friend nor turned his zing the deposit of papers of foreign vesting the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the limbs of arched bomb-proof covering overhead; the last fetter had fallen from the last fetter had fallen word "ratify" in the last line of the reso- a brave, but too long oppressed people. Barbetle, those which fire over the parapet, Moultrie, it would be of comparatively lit- back upon a foe, has gone out from among

But upon the announcement outside, and of the enemy, although, in this instance, proximity to the city would enable the gar- ply the vacant place? Mr. English. I would enquire if the upon the Mercury bulletin board, that the height of the ramparts is so great that seal of the State has not to be affixed before South Carolina was no longer a member of there is comparatively no danger from the Shute's Folly Island.—In consider
The Baltimore Sun says:

Shute's Folly Island.—In consider
The result has been generally anticipated the Federal Union, loud shouts of joy rent shot of an enemy's fleet. The armament ing the subject of still further defences for by our readers, and the act itself only ful-Mr. Reed. I move to strike out "to- the air. The enthusiasm was unsurpassed. consists of 140 pieces, placed in the follow- the inner harbor of Charleston, it has a significant of the air. The enthusiasm was unsurpassed. consists of 140 pieces, placed in the follow- the inner harbor of Charleston, it has a significant of the size holding morrow at 12 o'clock," and insert "this af- Old men went shouting down the streets. ing order: The heaviest guns, such as ed to us that "Shute's Folly Island," upon cance, however, which it is impossible to Commonwealths of North America, and Cannon were fired, and bright triumph was the 32 and 64 pounders, on the first tier; the south point of which Castle Pinckney regard without deep emotion; and unless depicted on every countenance.

Mr. Reed. I am willing to say seven, was affixed to the Ordinance of Secession, coast mortars on the top of the ramparts. Earthern batteries for 50 or more guns, rights of the States, this secession of South Collector and naval officer. but it struck me that it had better be done and the names of the Delegates to the Con- The heaviest pieces are turned toward could be erected along the shore, and be Carolina is the beginning of the end. vention were signed, it was proposed that the harbor, the lighter toward the land completely protected by the Castle. This SEVERAL DELEGATES. Seven o'clock. this ceremony should be postponed until 7 side; which side is further protected by would entirely prevent any passage by small tion" has been elected directly by the peo-Mr. REED. Very well. If gentlemen o'clock that evening: when the Conven- musketry, for which loop-holes are cut in craft through Hog Island Channel into ple; that none but delegates pledged to se-That the Ordinance adopted by us in we are not to know beforehand what the desire me to say seven I will do so. I wish tion should re-assemble and move in prothey then sat, to the great Secession Hall; same number of 32-pounders; forty 24- pensable, a small battery of say 10 or 12 of secession is promptly adopted so soon as and that there, before the assembled citi- pounders; ten of each calibre of Columbiad; suns, at some well selected point of the as it is presented, and that by a unanimous by any of the officers aforesaid shall after zens of the State, the Great Seal of the ten 13-inch and ten 10-inch mortars, capaHaddrill's Point shore, would be a valuavote, shows the deep and settled purpose deducting the sums necessary for the com-State should be set, and each signature ble of throwing about four thousand (4000) ble auxilliary to the other important de- with which the State resents the indignity The President called the Convention to made. The proposition was favorably re- pounds of shot and four thousand three fences of the harbor.

THE DOORKEEPER. A message from the ceived. At 62 o'clock p. m., the Convention re- charge.

sand people in the Hall.

of Representatives of the State of South pressive. There were a people assembled that face.

[That's so.] Then, sir, as a member of A number of gentlemen rising, the Prester the Rev. Dr. Bachman were seated upon parchment upon which was inscribed the which is a most perfect specimen of civil lennium, which will extend its influence to their cause! When other states have fallowed at once, in all its horrible forms, the this body, I beg to submit that the ayes ident directed the Clerk to call the roll.— the stage. The exercises were opened with decision of the State, with the Great Seal and military engineering. The whole work all the world and to all future generations. tered, Carolina was always true. In all issue that the free negro maniacs have forced attached. Slowly and solemnly it was read has been conducted in a manner that reflects It is the beginning of the time and the the wars, her little flag has sourced above upon us. Well said by the New York Day

torney-General and Solicitors ready to re- men could contain themselves no longer, is worthy to occupy the prominent position hoped and labored, and which we thank God ry, and now in the proud temple of Liber and a shout that shook the very building, that it holds. In conclusion, we take oc- we have lived to see. The Attorney General replied: The reverberating, long-continued, rose to Heacasion to allude to one point of especial Attorney General and Solicitors to whom ven, and ceased only with the loss of breath | beauty—the construction of the arches—of the Convention committed an Ordinance to In proud, grave silence, the Convention it- which there are nearly every variety-the dissolve the compact between the State of Self waited the end with beating hearts.

South Carolina and other States, known The President then requested the Dele-ed," the "Askew," and the "Rampant"— shall give, so far as our space permits, ex-

leave to report that they have performed the Districts which they represented, the duty assigned to them, and herewith and sign the Ordinance. Two hours were old fort, which is of the utmost importance une of the 21st instant, which says: submit the Ordinance, engrossed in such occupied in this solemn ceremony—the as a connecting point in the defence of the manner as seemed suitable to the gravity crowd waiting patiently the end. As the Harbor, has been considered by the high- "The Union is dissolved; long live the f the subject and the occasion.

Delegation from St. Phillip's and St. Miconsider the presence of chael's came forward, again the Hall was defensive works in the Harbor. Against or rather, South Carolina thinks so. the assembled audience, read the Ordi- filled with applause. And as the Hon. R. the attack of forces by land, or a boat atnance, and scarcely had he finished before B. Rhett advanced to the parchment, the tack by the Stono River, it must be conterrific thunders of applause burst from the shouts became deafening, long-continued, sidered an essential element of defense.— we do not forget that it is not the first time beating hearts of the people. After the watil he had seated himself, signed and re- So soon, then, as the State of South Caro- she has done so, we shall tremble the less. loud and long continued cheering had sub- tired. It was a proud and worthy tribute, line assumes the control of the Harbor for- We remember when she was ready to go to parties, she should not prevent or interru sided, the President called upon the mem- gracefully paid, and appreciated. The tifications, no time should be lost before a the death for Gen. Hamilton's sugar, when the performance of the pending contract bers to come forward and sign the Ordi- same special compliment was paid to our permanent fortification is commenced here, it was said of her, dulce et decorum est pro for carrying and delivering of the mails, Ex-Governor Gist, who recommended in his if time does not admit of a substantial work patria mori." But it was sweeter yet to made by the United States while South

form, announced that the Seal of the State heavy battery against shipping. Throughout the signing of the Ordinance, had been set, the signatures of the Conven- THE INNER DEFENCES OF OUR HAR- tem!

From the Charleston Mercury

OUR HARBOR DEFENCES.

eastern, western and northern are simply its length. His Excellency, the Governor, and both branches of the Legislature, inviting their attendance at Institute Hall, at 12 o'clock to-morrow; and that this Convention march in procession to-morrow; and that this Convention march in procession to-morrow to the Institute Hall, at 12 o'clock to morrow to the Institute Hall, at 12 o'clock to morrow to the Institute Hall, at 12 o'clock to morrow to the Institute Hall, at 12 o'clock to morrow to the Institute Hall, at 12 o'clock to morrow to the Institute Hall, at 12 o'clock to morrow to the Institute of the pentagon. At each intersection of the magazine is a sufficiency of ammunition of the small faces is a sally-port. The height of the parapet above the water-line is sixty feet. On the eastern and western in the ordinate of the following to the provided by this and loaded shell.

This work has been of late put in as thorough repair as possible. Owing to the provided by this distance of the Legislature, inviting their ance of Secession was presented by the Committee on "the Ordinance," to the Convention and navigation laws of the United States, so far as they may be approved to the provided by this convention of the small faces is a sufficiency of ammunition of the small faces is a sufficiency of ammunition of the small faces is a sufficiency of ammunition of the small faces is a sufficiency of ammunition of the small faces is a sufficiency of ammunition of the small faces is a sufficiency of ammunition, including shot and loaded shell.

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silent assembly, the brief sound was echoed the United States service, arranged in sort entirely to the barbette guns and mor- scattered gems. She is but a single Com-A DELEGATE. "Sign" the Ordinance, back, without one solitary exception in three tiers, the two lower being Casemates tars. In this case, the exposure to the monwealth, and new States may be added and the upper Barbette guns. The Case- enemies' direct shot would not be great, to the Union, but they will not be of the owned in whole or in part by the citizens was called, the Ordinance of Secession an embrasure in the Scarp Walls, and are most ships, and much higher than the ad- ary comrades, and one of the bravest and The Convention sat with closed doors. which exposes the Cannoniers to the fire the use; yet if an enemy possessed it, its us, and stands alone. Where shall we sup-24 and 32 pounders on the second tier; now stands, is susceptible of being greatly there is an instant return to the obligations other shall be registered as vessels of

hundred (4300) pound of shell at each dis-

assembled at St. Andrew's Hall. At 63 On the terra parade plain are situated East Bay Battery there is ample space for tionably impart a quickening impulse to Mr. President, I am instructed by the o'clock p. m., they formed in procession two furnances for heating shot. The maga- 50 or more guns in barbette, which could other Southern States, and there remains zines are situated on the inner sides of the sally ports, and contain, at present, 40,000 From this strong point a large circle of the to the Constitution, and an ample recognition of the rights of the South by the peowho have carefully considered the terms in which that Ordinance shall be framed, and President of the State of S. and moved forward in silence to Secession zines are situated on the inner sides of the be promptly mounted on timber platforms. no hope now but in an unconditional return tain in their hands all the property of the the formal ratification of that ordinance one word too little. They have declared invitation to attend upon the ratification of the South by the peo-Fort is on the southern, or land side, and The Convention was called to order. The is formed by a wharf projecting towards WE ARE OUT OF THE UNION.—And we

Mr. President, I am directed by the H. scene was one profoundly grand and im- the shore, and also extending the length of thank God and South Carolina for it. We any South Carolinans flattered themselves of Representatives of the State of South pressive. There were a people assembled that they create panic and alarm at the North, they Carolina, to state to this body that they through their nignest representatives—med have accepted your invitation to attend up. most of them upon whose heads the snows if finished and properly manned. It is at so boldly and gallantly taken, is fraught have been mistaken. To-day everybody is Mr. Duncan. Mr. President, I concur on the ratification of the Ordinance of Se. of sixty winters had been shed—patriarchs present so far completed that, with a little with more and greater benefits to the huckerful as usual, and there is a general in age—the dignitaries of the land—the temporary work, it could be made so strong man race than any one thing since the comfeeling that the secession is only nominal. The Convention then rose and joined in the procession to the Institute Hall. The erend statesmen—and the wise judges of vessels. Its weakest point is on the souththe printers for the purpose of having a sufficient number printed for the use of the upon the passage of this Ordinance, and I street, and up Meeting to the Institute Hall. old man, with bowed form, and hair as weaker than that of the other sides, but it is system of "Free Trade" all over the world, vance in the prices in most of the stocks. ficient number printed for the use of the most of the use of the use of the most of the use of the most of the use of the most of the use of the upon the passage of this Ordinance, and I street, and up Meeting to the Institute Hall. old man, with bowed form, and half as weaker than that of the other stocks.

They are now move that this vote be taken by ayes and devices by which labor has been made subbeing set off on all sides. At the foot of vanced forward, with upraised hands, in would sweep the wharf. Once landed, an devices by which labor has been made subion can be so easily destroyed.—Bulletin, the staircase the Delegates were joined by prayer to Almighty God, for His blessing entrance may, at the present state of the servient to power and robbed of its reward 24th inst. A MEMBER. Mr. President, what is the the members of the Senate and House of and favor in this great act of his people, construction, be easily made; for the blinds by cunning and designing men; it will es-Representatives, and the procession then about to be consummated. The whole as- of the lower embrasures, though six inches tablish the principle that governments are moved into the Hall.

The President and Clerk of the ConvenThe President and Clerk of the Conv read and investigated, be satisfactory to each upon and adopt the Ordinance. The ayes tion, the President and Clerk of the Senate, quent appeal to the All-Wise dispenser of ladders can reach those of the second tier which the rights of the many are to be no yoke, submit to no aggression. It does nal," if necessary, that this shall remain a and every member of this body, then there and noes have been called for —do seven the Speaker and Clerk of the House of Rep. events. At the close of the prayer, the which are protected in this manner.

Columbus (Ga.) Corner Stone.

THE FOREIGN PRESS.

For the instruction of our readers, w "The King is dead : long live the King."

While engaged in this, the people of message to the extra session, the immedi- being built, a field-work of earth and tim- come back, and she came back. She may Carolina was one of said States, South Carolina who had assembled on the ate secession of South Carolina from the ber to mount sixty guns, could be erected do so again. It is so easy to pass resoluin a very short time, which would offer a tions; so difficult to execute them. Her vention assembled, do declare and or Bonfires were kindled and fireworks shot At the close of the signatures the Presi- respectable defense against any probable first act of sovereignty is rather ludicrous. and it is hereby declared and ordained, that off; bands of soldiers passed and re-passed dent, advancing to the front of the plat- land-attack, and furnish at the same time a She asks the Government from which she the existing postal contracts and arrange of the same time a she asks the Government from which she the existing postal contracts and arrange of the same time a she asks the Government from which she the existing postal contracts and arrange of the same time a she asks the Government from which she the existing postal contracts and arrange of the same time a she asks the Government from which she the existing postal contracts and arrange of the same time a she asks the Government from which she the existing postal contracts and arrange of the same time a she asks the Government from which she the existing postal contracts and arrange of the same time a she asks the Government from which she the existing postal contracts and arrange of the same time a she asks the Government from the same time a she asks the Government from the same time a she asks the Government from the same time a she asks the government from the gov secedes to conduct for her her postal sys- ments shall be continued, and the

"Shute's Folly Island," between the Hog gratification is one which nobody, we fancy until otherwise ordered by this Convent ing, and when the President of the Consequence of t Ordinance of Secession has been signed this announcement was greeted, is beyond a very considerable military work, yet from without the advantages of the Union, which and ratified, and I proclaim the State of the power of the pen. The high, burning, its position, commanding as it does the her sister States enjoy and will continue to South Carolina an Independent Common- bursting heart alone can realize it. A whole line of our eastern wharves, it be- enjoy, the loss is hers, and the advantages wealth," the tumultuous enthusiasm that mighty voice of great thoughts and great comes of the utmost importance for it to be -so far as the saving of some heavy ex- during their secret session: emotions spoke from the mighty throat of held by the State authorities. It is, in pense is concerned—are ours. Howin any As soon as order was restored, on motion of Mr. Magrath, the Convention adThe State of South Carolipa has recorduseful to annoy an invading fleet should it

it is not easy to see. Her Commissioners ence before God, fearless of man, unawed landing very difficult, if not impossible. | will have the honor, doubtless, of dining cember, in the year of our Lord 1860, and After the Ordinance had been signed, by power, unterrified by clamor, she has cut In its plan it presents to the South a with the old public functionary, who still thence continued by adjournment to Charles-J. H. Means, Secretary of State, received the Gordian knot of colonial dependence semi-circular face; the eastern and western holds high court in the White House.— ton, and there by divers adjournments to the same into his custody. Gen. W. E. upon the North—cast her fortune upon her faces are formed by the line of rampart They may wait upon Congress, but Conof the President of the Convention, pro- ready to uphold alike her independence and the circular are at its extremity, and for a upon the subject of dissolution. What, An Ordinance to make Promise ceeded to the street, and read the Ordi- her dignity before the world. Prescribing distance of twenty yards; the northern side then, can they do? Like the French King nance to the immense concourse in Meet- to none, she will be dictated to by none : is plane; at both the northeastern and who marched up the hill with twice ten ing-street, and concluded by holding up the parchment to the crowd, and calling Deprecating blood, she is willing to shed it.

In orthwestern angles are semi-circular bastions, the outer extremities of the arcs best thousand men, and then marched down again, they can return to Charleston and ates in the political Union known. upon them to give three cheers for the Valueing her liberties, she will maintain ing tangent respectively to the eastern and report progress. Only let the State con- United States of America, as also Separate Commonwealth of South Caroli- them. Neither swerved by frowns of foes, western sides of the fort. There are two tinue to pay the regular duties on imports, na. This was responded to in the most nor swayed by timorous solicitations of rows of guns—the lower being in casemates and keep her hands off the forts, and she merce, that no abrupt or sudden change by

Some feeling was excited in the House trade to her own ports, above Though friends may fail her in her need, height of the rampart is twenty, and the of Representatives at Washington yester- of the slaveholding States, her though the connon of her enemies may width thirty-two feet; the width of the day by a resolution, offered by Mr. Delano, erates in the said Union; and where t De deposited in the archives of the State.

Mr. DeSaussure. Is it intended that his should constitute the last of the se
The 20TH OF DECEMBER, 1860.

The charleston Mercury, Dec. 21, 1860.

The charlest Mr. DESAUSSURE. Is it intended that the depth of the casemates is twenty feet, this should constitute the last of the selections and if it is. I move to resolutions and if it is is in time to come the 20th resolutions and if it is in time to come the 20th resolutions are resolutions. The entrance is on the northern side; on ment of Fort Moultrie would be the signal and ordain, and it is hereby de either side of which are the officers and for an attack, was true. What with Mr. ordained: privates' quarters, mess room, &c. The FORT SUMTER.—Fort Sumter is built ascent to the barbette is made in the north. were again brought up yesterday, and the at the date of the Ordinance of Second will yet be compelled to explain and de- United States within the limits of South

The Richmond Dispatch says:

The solemn act of the secession of a sov- whatever with the Federal Gover of slavery, has secured itself from threatened channel. Of the truncated angles the tected by the fire of several guns sweeping been accomplished. With unutterable sadness we are compelled to speak of the A-South Carolina has resumed her entire formed into Pan-coupees, whilst the other The armament of this Castle consists of merican Union as a thing THAT WAS. It their services. That until this Convention, The Clerk then commenced the reading sovereign power, and, unshackled, has be- two are formed of two small faces, making about twenty-five pieces, 24 and 32 poun exists no more. One of its brightest stars or the General Assembly, shall otherwise the commenced the reading sovereign power, and, unshackled, has bean angle of about fifteen degrees with the ders; a few sea coast mortars, and six Col. has disappeared from that resplendent gal-On yesterday, the 20th December, 1860, sides of the pentagon. At each intersectumbiads—the latter not being mounted.— axy which has so long lighted up the West-vacancies which may occur in such offices.

in procession to morrow to the Institute cisely at seven minutes after one o'clock, hall, kichen, &c. On the southern side want of ventilation and the reverberation cord is broken. The falling of a single Hall, and there, at 12 o'clock, in the presence of the constituted authorities of the States and people, ratify the Ordinance of Secession."

| Cach man's name being called in order.— in very handsome style. | Cach man's name being called in order.— in very handsome style. | It is mounted with the heaviest guns of silent assembly, the brief sound was echoed the United States coming the late Federal and the occupants would be obliged to re-

But before the Great Seal of the State Columbiads (8 and 10 inch) and heavy sea improved without much engineering skill of the Constitution and the equality of the South Carolina under the authority of the

The fact that this "Sovereign Convencession were chosen, and no others entered of sectional lawlessness to which she has THE EAST BAY BATTERY SEA WALL, been exposed.

-Behind the new stone sea wall on the This act of South Carolina will unquesple of the North of the restoration of the

Union-as it was. THE EFFECT IN PHILADELPHIA.-I are no longer under the dominion of the that the Secession Ordinance was going to

resentatives, the Governor and suite, and President advanced with the consecrated This concludes the brief sketch of a fort,

ty in a Southern Confederacy, her name will first be written. Over her will dwell, through all years of history, a cloud of imperishable honor .- Columbus (Ga.) Times.

POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS.

The following Ordinance, offered by Chancelor B. F. Dunkin, has been pass and ratified by the Convention, and is now in force in and for the State of South Caro-

We commend it to all citizens and to

An Ordinance to make provisional Postal Arrangements in South Carolina. Whereas, the State of South Carolina owes it to her own citizens, and to those of other States, that, as one of the contract

We, the State of South Carolina, in Con charged with the duties thereof shall co the vast multitude testified their hearty approval in loud and long continued cheertinue to discharge said duties until a posts

> TMPORTANT ORDINANCE. The following Ordinance was adopted by the Convention, on Wednesday; 26th ul

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA At a Convention of the people of the State of South Carolina, begun and holden

rangements for the continuance of Com mercial Facilities in South Carolina.

citizens of South Carolina, engaged I made in the rate of duties upon imports into this State to secure any advan-

ed to hold, under the Government of this State—exclusive of any further connection

plicable, be, and they are hereby, adopted merica, nor upon the tonnage of vessels of the said States; and saving and excepting tions, which said Act is hereby declared to

4th. That all vessels built in South Carolina, or elsewhere, and owned to the amount of one-third by a cifizen of South commanded by a citizen thereof, and n 5th. That all the official acts of the of-

be of no force within the limits of this

ficers aforesaid in which it is usual and proper to set forth the authority under which they act, or the style of documents pensation of officers and other expenses. be paid into the Treasury of the State of South Carolina, for the use of the said State subject to the order of this Convention, or the General Assembly.
7th. That the officers aforesaid shall re-

State, who will account for the same upon a final settlement with the Government of the United States. Done at Charleston, the 26th day of De-

cember, in the year of our Lord, 1860. D. F. JAMISON, President. B. F. ARTHUR, Clerk.

DISTINION-CIVIL WAR .- Events crowd thick and fast upon us. South Carolina has passed the Ordinance of Secession .-Mr. Lincoln's home organ has issued a pronunciamento of coercion. What madness! party striving to urge him into declaring war against South Carolina-another threatning to impeach him if he does! Why